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TO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW PRIORITY

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FOR MATLOCK FROM GARRISON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OGEN

SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. REF MOSCOW 13607 ON INSPECTION MATERIALS NOT RECEIVED.
S/IG IS POUCHING TOMORROW BY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
REGISTERED RECEIPTS TO MOSCOW NO. 2780053.
2. WE FOUND MOSCOW 13887 ON MEDICAL AND BIOLOGICAL EFFECTS
OF ELECTRIC FIELDS OF INTEREST.
3. WE WERE A LITTLE SURPRISED THAT THE NOTE ANTIPOV
GAVE TOM INDICATED THAT THE SOVIETS PLAN TO START RE-
NOVATIONS RIGHT AWAY IN NEW YORK. JACK HAD VASEV IN
TODAY AND RECALLED THE GARRISON-VORONTSOV EXCHANGE WHICH
PROVIDES THAT RECONFIGURATION START SIMULTANEOUSLY. WE
WILL REITERATE THE POINT IN OUR NOTE.
4. EMBASSY SHOULD LOOK INTO ARTICLE BY CC SECRETARY
CHERNENKO THAT APPEARS IN ISSUE NUMBER 8 OF PROBLEMY
MIRA I SOTSIALIZMA. ARTICLE IS ON CADRE POLICY WHICH ONE
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WOULD ASSUME WOULD BE KAPITONOV'S SPHERE. CHERNENKO,

OF COURSE, IS CLOSE BREZHNEV PROTEGE. HE STATES THAT
"EXPANSION OF DEMOCRATISM ... CAN ONLY PROCEED IN STEP
WITH ...THE GROWTH OF CONSCIOUS DISCIPLINE." THIS IS

FOLLOWED BY UNUSUAL STATEMENT WHICH MAKES THE PRINCIPLE
OF COLLECTIVE LEADERSHIP CONDITIONAL, "IN THE SYSTEM OF
PARTY LEADERSHIP THE CONSISTENT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
PRINCIPLE OF COLLECTIVE LEADERSHIP ONLY RPT ONLY BECOMES
POSSIBLE WHEN IT IS COMBINED WITH...PERSONAL RESPONSI-
BILITY FOR THE ALLOTTED WORK." DO THESE STATEMENTS COM-
BINED WITH THE MOVE OF A BREZHNEV PROTEGE INTO THE FIRST
DEPUTY SLOT AT THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND THE MOLDAVIAN
AGRICULTURAL SHUFFLE SUGGEST THAT BREZHNEV IS TAKING EX-
CLUSIVE CONTROL?

5. FOR AMBASSADOR: MRS. THOMAS TAYLOR'S COCKTAIL PARTY
WILL BE SEPTEMBER 16. SHE WAS INFORMED OF YOUR SEPTEMBER
15 ARRIVAL WASHINGTON.

6. JACK REPORTED TO ART HARTMAN TODAY ON HIS MUNICH TRIP.
HE IS VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE CONTENT OF THE NATIONALI-
TIES BROADCASTS AND ART WANTED TO GET A BETTER IDEA OF HOW
WELL THEY COME THROUGH. WHEN WE SAID THAT THE MONITOR'S
ITINERARY WAS NOW DOWN TO KIEV, LENINGRAD AND MOSCOW THE
ASKED FOR AN EFFORT TO REINSTATE ANY NATIONALITY AREA -
SAY THE CAUCASAS. WHAT DO YOU THINK? EVEN THE BALTICS
WOULD DO? ROBINSON

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